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NEW HOME.

Christmas and New Year's, with the holidays, have come and gone. Big dinner and supper with fried chicken, roast beef and so forth and so on are past, and now we enter upon the realities of the labor and toil of the New Year.

Quite a number of the neighbors north of us gathered at Clarence Morris' one night last week and had a fine time, and one night afterwards the same crowd met at Mrs. Warren Littlefield's, and had a merry time.

John Shannon brought home a brand splinter new cook stove from Foster Saturday. We are thinking of going down for dinner.

We saw several men husking corn to-day. It is too bad for farmers to raise so much corn that they can't get it out before bad weather.

C. A. Patton butchered to-day. They will have fresh meat and not have to eat rabbits.

Miss Ada Miller sent a hog to Rich Hill to-day, which brought her \$28.80. Mr. Steele and Mr. Lewis were each getting in a load, some real nice ones and some not so nice.

We met Gabe, of the Review, in town, and he had on a brand new pair of boots, new over-shoes and was dressed up generally, made us feel sorter hayseedy like.

Henry Prose hauled hogs to Rich Hill. He is going to leave the neighborhood soon, and we hate to see them leave. They are real clever people.

C. A. Patton is planning to top the kaffir corn, but the black birds have already got the most of the seed.

Sleighting is about over until it snows again.

On our way to town Monday morning we met with Mr. Borron. We have not seen him for about 30 years, and we would never have recognized him. He went to Wyoming about 30 years ago. He has been employed as one of the guides at Yellow Stone Park for the past eleven years.

Eld. Shelton began his work for the Christian Church at Sprague last Sunday, and will preach every second Sunday during the year.

Grandpa Bobbitt, of Sprague, is quite poorly.

We saw Walker Bobbitt Sunday for the first time we had an opportunity to talk with him since he came from Pueblo, Colo. We asked him how he liked it, and he said that he liked the altitude, and that was all he did like about it.

On our way home Monday, we met W. H. Colten driving like a boy with a borrowed horse, and we asked him why his hurry, and said that he was always in a hurry. He is one of the successful business men and always busy, though he stopped, and we had a pleasant chat.

The Rail Road Company has put in a brand new Fairbanks scale at the stock yards at Rich Hill.

The business men of Rich Hill are hustlers. Allen Wright told me that he got produce from a way up nearly to Butler; Clover was at Butler since and twice a week all last winter, and there was a regular butter famine there, yet the grocery men would not pay but 20 cents per pound. You Butler fellows will have to get a move on you.

We have not heard from Grandma Crooks for a few days.

We enjoy the items from the different parts of the county, especially those written by Dinah and Young Aaron. We are not personally acquainted with Dinah, but have known Young Aaron for a long time, and he is a worthy representative of his father, and is just as strong a Prohibitionist.

Johnstown.

At this writing the weather still continues like winter.

Jim Morehead and family left Wednesday for Oklahoma to make that their future home.

Uncle Bill Phipps visited in the country Saturday.

Willie Shelton and Lawrence Whitman spent Thursday evening visiting with the family of Joe Brownsberger.

John Muck hauled wood from W. O. Shillinger last week.

Rev. Hargis filled his regular appointment at the Methodist Church in Johnstown Thursday evening at 7:30.

Jim and Will Lawson have purchased the Van Kretzinger farm in South Deep Water of one hundred and ten acres.

The Sunday School at the Methodist Church in Johnstown has a large number of scholars and superintendent Tom Guy says he is well pleased with the interest that is taken by all.

Miss Lovie Allison is spending a few days this week visiting friends in the Antioch neighborhood.

Evans Stevens and family, of Rockville, are visiting Mrs. Stevens' parents, Geo. Allison and family, at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Mistler, of Centralia, Oklahoma, are visiting friends and relatives in their old neighborhood this week. Dad, as the boys call him, says Old Missouri is good, but Oklahoma is better.

Several from this neighborhood attended church at Antioch Friday night and reported the meeting progressing nicely with several additions to the church.

William Foster and family left Monday for Oklahoma to make that state their future home.

Rev. Self commenced a protracted meeting at the Pleasant Home church Monday night, Jan. 10. RUTH.

FOSTER.

Who can lead the people of Foster out of the wilderness? Uncle Sam.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Charley Ferrell, a son, January 5th.

Miss Salia May Arbogast came down from Kansas City Wednesday, and will visit home folks.

Jim Sylvester, who is working for Fred Laughlin, is reported as being quite poorly with catarrhal fever.

Mrs. Al Livingston, who some time ago was taken to Asylum No. 3 at Nevada, was brought home last week from that institution. We learn from good authority there is little change in her mental condition.

John Belk left Tuesday evening for Western Kansas. He goes to look out a location.

W. S. James, cashier of the Farmers Bank, made a drive in the vicinity of Hume Saturday.

A. H. Loyd and W. T. Lyle were business visitors to Rich Hill Thursday.

Jim Woods moved Friday to a farm near Mound City, Kansas.

The Odd Fellows Thursday night had an oyster supper and installed new officers. A large crowd and a good time were reported.

Earl Hair was a passenger for Kansas City Friday, where he had gone to buy mine supplies.

While looking over our items, we have written the last year of 1909, there has been marriages 6, births 19, deaths 25. Mrs. Rosa Robb Yealey was the first to die January 11th, and W. W. Russell was the last Dec. 22nd. At this rate the year of 1909 there has been more sorrow than happiness for Foster and vicinity.

Mr. Trussell came in Sunday from Illinois, where he had been visiting for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shofner returned home Sunday morning from North Missouri, where they had been visiting for two weeks with relatives and friends. They report a very pleasant visit for winter.

We learn A. G. Metzler is thinking of moving to Kansas City in the near future.

Misses Lota Bright, Crissie Boatright and Audrey Lafee spent Sunday evening with Dinah.

Misses Maggie and Myrtle McCann and Mrs. M. C. Miller spent Sunday evening with Miss Salia Arbogast.

Aunt Jane Arbogast returned to her home Sunday near Rich Hill, after a few days' visit in Foster. She thinks Foster is all right, and may locate here permanently some future day.

The Misses Grace and Willa Darr, of near Amoret, attended the meeting at Foster, and took dinner with Mrs. M. C. Miller.

The school meeting held at Foster Jan. 8. House was called to order by Prof. W. P. Kinion, chairman of Walnut township. Miss Myrtle McCann was elected secretary of the meeting. The complete program was carried out. There were twenty-two teachers enrolled. The value of a knowledge of agriculture to the farmer was discussed by E. E. Laughlin. Dr. McAllister, of Warrensburg, How to develop the will? Many questions were asked by members of the association to which Dr. McAllister readily responded. What the grades should accomplish in reading; W. P. Kinion, Foster, Relation of school and home; Prof. C. A. Burke, Butler, How hold the attention; Prof. Steward, Amoret. The course of study and supplementary work. This discussion was led by Supt. Allison. Some very valuable points were gained by both teachers and patrons. We considered this meeting a rare treat, and hope that in the future Prof. Allison may give us another such a meeting.

Mrs. John Hedger Sundayed with Mr. and Mrs. Jule Heckadon.

John Heckadon, of near Rich Hill, came up Sunday to see his brother, Jule, who has been quite poorly for the last few days.

N. T. Badgett & Sons, the ice men of Foster, have stored away about eighty tons of fine ice. Foster people will keep cool next summer.

DINAH.

West Deepwater.

We are having some old time winter.

Herbert Clark and wife spent Sunday with their uncle Joe Clark and family, of near Pleasant Gap.

Wm. Foster and family will leave in a few days for Centralia, Okla., where they will make their future home.

Mrs. James Carroll will arrive here Tuesday from Kiowa, Okla. Mr. Carroll will come through by land. They will locate on his father's farm.

A. G. Tabor had a sale last week and everything sold well. They will leave Tuesday for Clay county, Mo.

W. H. Charters Jr., is still busy selling hogs and shipping them out.

Clyde Kegeries was called to his home in Rich Hill Saturday on account of the serious illness of his little sister.

Bert Vansant and wife, Miss Ada and Mrs. J. H. Baker attended church at Spruce Sunday.

Mrs. N. J. Murphy gave a delightful surprise dinner for Mr. Murphy, Sunday, Jan. 9th, it being his 62nd birthday. Quite a number of relatives and friends were present.

Several delivered fat hogs in Butler Friday at 8 cents per lb.

Ed Kretzinger, of Wanoka, Okla., stopped and took dinner with J. H. Baker and family one day last week.

FARMER JOHN.

Rockville Booster News.

John Goodwin fell and fractured a rib the first of the week.

Clark Smith this week sold a span of 4-year-old mules to Neal & Sons for \$368. They were dandies and were well worth the price.

Martin Rapp, assisted by a number of relatives and friends, celebrated his 80th birthday Saturday. Quite a number were present and an exceedingly good time is reported.

J. P. McDavitt took charge of the postoffice, and E. W. Stevens and family immediately departed for Johnstown. After a short visit with relatives there, Mr. Stevens expects to go west and prospect for a location.

Ballard.

More snow since our last writing. Sleighting has been the order of the day.

Roy Greer fell on the ice and broke both bones of his arm.

Wood Hill has purchased the Carney livery barn in Urich and will take possession in a short time.

T. J. Pitt is on the sick list.

The small daughter of S. V. Catron is being treated by Dr. Newlon for abscess of the head.

Anna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Cummins was buried Sunday afternoon at Bethel. She was about sixteen months old and had been sick but a few days.

BELLE.

Mulberry and Western Bates.

W. N. Allman the chief of the Democrat tribe of Howard township was at Butler Tuesday to attend the county central committee meeting.

Col. C. E. Robbins the hustling auctioneer whose advertisement is found in The Times was in Kansas City Wednesday and sold three hundred head of horses in the afternoon. The Colonel reports the price of horses being very high and the outlook very favorable for still higher prices.

Clay Strait, of Ashkum, Ill., and Bob Strait, of Sheridan, Wyoming, are visiting their many relatives and friends at Amoret.

Robert M. Braden, of Kansas City, visited relatives and friends the first of the week.

Frank Blough and family, from east of Parktown, visited at E. E. Booi's Thursday.

John McKee and family spent Friday at the Dr. J. C. Sageser home.

Dr. Zana Robinson, of Drexel, was a visitor at the Clyde Moore home Thursday.

Robert L. Braden's sale Thursday was well attended and every thing sold high.

W. J. Bard drove up to Amsterdam Friday and reminded his many friends that he was as young and jolly as ever.

George Pahlman the popular school master at Virginia completed his school again Monday after a two weeks vacation. He invested in some lumber and tied his hand at the carpenter's trade by making a home made sleigh, but the rough roads proved too hard for it.

Minnie, the little daughter of Henry Dykman, is reported as being very sick.

Peter Morwood has a gang of men building a large barn on his home place, north of Mulberry.

J. H. Lender and family spent Sunday at R. Bohlkens.

Dr. J. C. Sageser delivered sixty head of fat porkers to Peter Morwood in Amoret Monday at \$8.20. 60 head weighing 12,250 bringing \$1,088.19.

Mrs. Frank Stilwell and daughter, Fay, were visitors at Daved Clark's Thursday.

Benny Downey who has been very low for some time is much better.

RAMBLER.

Champ Clark in Butler.

Hon. Champ Clark, Democratic leader in Congress and the next Speaker, unique member of the House is Democratic. When we believe it will be spoke to a large audience, crowded almost to the roof, of the court room last Tuesday afternoon. His principal theme was the tariff, which was handled in the clear and lucid manner which is characteristic of Mr. Clark. He showed how nearly every manufactured product is sold in foreign markets cheaper than at home, after paying the import duties and transportation charges. He refuted the explanation of Mr. Dillard, that it was the surplus, thus sold, and when asked why the surplus was not sold to the American people at the reduced rates, received the reply that the surplus had better be cast into the sea than sold to the American people at that price, because such a course would demoralize the markets. Mr. Clark paid a high tribute to the late lamented DeArmond and endorsed Mr. Dickinson as a worthy successor and strongly urged his election.

What is a Demagogue?

Whenever a corporation editor or a trust representative can no longer ignore an argument in favor of remedial legislation he denounces it as the utterance of a "demagogue." The use of the word "demagogue" in such a connection has come to be an infallible sign that the one who uses it is consciously or unconsciously a sympathizer with the abuse that needs correction. Privilege and favoritism can not be defended hence the resort to epithet. According to the dictionary used by the beneficiaries of privilege he only is a statesman whose ear is tuned to catch the slightest pulsations of a pocket book, while he is a demagogue who dares to listen to the heartbeat of humanity.

—Commoner.

Missouri State Bank Annual Meeting.

The Directors of the Missouri State Bank, consisting of Dr. T. C. Boulware, R. B. Campbell, C. H. Dutcher, W. M. Hardinger, A. B. Owen, Wm. B. Tyler, Frank M. Voris, J. B. Walton, Wm. E. Walton and several stockholders held their regular meeting on January 6th 1910.

Wm. E. Walton, the president, made the following report:

Gentlemen:— I submit for your consideration my 29th annual report showing the business done by the Missouri State Bank during the year 1909:

Gross earnings were	\$1,747.30
Expenses and taxes paid	1,587.15
Net earnings	160.15
The taxes were	1,426.15

I recommend that we pay a four per cent. dividend which makes eight per cent. paid during the year.

To get a good average of our earnings and expenses I have gone back over our books for the last six years and find the

Gross earnings were	\$101,000.14
Expenses and taxes paid	95,772.72
Net earnings	5,227.42

which is an average of fourteen and one-half per cent. each year on our \$55,000 capital.

About two years ago your former Cashier, Assistant Cashier and several directors opened a new bank here.

The following figures taken from our books shows the Missouri State Bank has not only held its own since the new bank started but has made substantial gains in the amount of business done as also in net profits. For the four years preceding that event the

Gross earnings were	\$65,200.00
which is an average each year of	16,300.00
For the last two years our Gross Earnings were	17,700.00
which is an average each year of	8,850.00
Showing an average gain each of the last two years of	2,450.00
The net earnings for the last four years were	10,447.42
The average each year was	2,611.85
The net earnings for the last two years were	5,227.42
which is an average each of the last two years of	2,613.71
A gain each of the last two years of	74.97

Showing our customers and friends remained loyal to this Bank, which we highly appreciate and thank them for it.

With our elegant new bank building finished, having fire-proof vaults, protected by the Electric Burglar Alarm System, backed by forty-two stockholders and twenty-nine years continuous and successful experience and furnishing as we do an absolute safe bank for depositors' funds, we hope by close attention to business to receive the confidence and patronage of the public even to a greater extent in the future than we have in the past.

We now hold in interest bearing loans	\$245,000.00
Cash on hand and in other banks and in our vault	100,000.00
Our capital and surplus	55,000.00
Total deposits at	390,000.00

As we hold over one hundred thousand dollars in cash and two hundred forty-three thousand dollars in safe interest bearing notes, I take pleasure in assuring you that the Missouri State Bank is not only a money-maker, but it is absolutely safe and sound beyond question.

We are careful about borrowers and have but few losses. I have always believed bankers should be money lenders and not money borrowers.

I am glad to report that neither the President, Vice President, Cashier, Assistant Cashier, Clerk or employee of the Missouri State Bank owes it anything.

History shows that a large majority of broken banks were ruined by their officers borrowing the bank's money and losing it in speculation.

I want to impress on each stockholder the importance of recommending the Missouri State Bank to your neighbors and friends as a safe place to deposit in and where there is always money to loan at reasonable rates.

We always consider safety more important than profits.

Wm. E. Walton, Pres.

A Few Clean-up Prices for This Month

Take advantage of them and save some good hard cash.

65c Cotton Blankets at.....45c
10c Fleeced Lined Goods at.....7½c
\$2.00 Bear Skin Coats, all colors, at.....\$1.00
5c value Laces, extra good, at.....2c
18c heavy Fleeced Hose only.....10c

All Ladies Suits and Coats at HALF PRICE.
Big Reductions on Mens and Boys Clothing.

Sam'l Levy Mercantile Co.